

Moran Names 2004 Service Academy Selection Board

Interviews of U.S. Service Academy Candidates Planned for November 13

ABILENE - Congressman Jerry Moran has announced the 2004 First District Service Academy Selection Board. The sixteen-member board will meet in November to interview prospective candidates for admission to U.S. Service Academies. Following the interviews, the board will make recommendations to Moran for final selection.

Candidates being interviewed have already submitted their applications for the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, New York; U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland; U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado; or U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, New York. They now enter the final stage of the selection process.

"Service academies help to shape the next generation of military leaders, and I am honored to be a part of the nomination process," Moran said. "The members of the 2004 Selection Committee are respected members of their communities who represent a rich cross-section of Kansas who understand the importance of military service and dedication. I look forward to working with them and appreciate their service to our state and nation."

The board will meet Saturday, November 13, at the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library in Abilene to interview candidates. The members of the 2004 First District Service Academy Selection Board are:

Jesse Bernal

Spanish Instructor - Garden City High School; Served in U.S. Army

Garden City

Dr. Mace Braxton

Cardiac Surgeon - Salina Regional Health Center; U.S. Military Academy Graduate

Salina

Krista Bryant

Nursing Instructor - Cloud County Community College; Mother of U.S. Military Academy Cadet

Concordia

Jean Clifford

Colonel - United States Air Force Reserves; Former Judge Advocate - U.S. Air Force

Garden City

Lucille Coverdale

Guidance Counselor - Fort Riley Middle School; Served in U.S. Army Reserves

Junction City

Joanne Emerick

Social Studies Instructor - Hoxie High School; 2003 National Teachers Hall of Fame Inductee

Hoxie

Kathy Gier

Financial Associate - Thrivent Financial for Lutherans; Mother of U.S. Military Academy Graduate

Hutchinson

Mike Junk

President - Crestwood Inc.; U.S. Air Force Academy Graduate

Salina

Jack Krier

Co-Owner - Main Street Media; served in Kansas National Guard

Russell

Cindy Livingston

Director of Administrative Services - Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks; Mother of U.S. Military Academy Cadet

Pratt

James Logback

Editor/Publisher - Hill City Times; Former Supply Officer - U.S. Navy

Hill City

Juana "Janie" Perkins

Garden City Commissioner

Garden City

Mac Stromberg

President - United Industries, Inc.; U.S. Army Vietnam Veteran

Sterling

Sharon Treaster

Former School Superintendent - U.S.D. 272; Mother of U.S. Naval Academy Graduate

Beloit

Dave Warnken

National Executive Committeeman for Kansas - American Legion; U.S. Navy Vietnam Veteran

Hutchinson

Ron Whitney

Chairman - Kansas Quail Unlimited; U.S. Army Vietnam Veteran

Emporia

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